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Blueberry Pancake Breakfast

Submitted by Nottingham Historical Society

On Sunday August 8, the Nottingham Historical Society held its annual Blueberry Pancake Breakfast at the Nottingham Square Schoolhouse. After not having the breakfast last year due to Covid concerns, it was wonderful to see people come out for the breakfast this year. It was a pleasant day, and many people came to visit with friends and neighbors and enjoy delicious blueberry pancakes. Many visited the Schoolhouse Museum upstairs in the Square Schoolhouse.



The music was provided by Selkii, who played from an extensive song list of traditional and popular music. The event is a major fundraiser for the Historical Society.

This year we had a raffle for those who bought a blueberry pancake mug or brought one from last time. Skip Seaverns was the winner of the raffle for a free copy of our upcoming Nottingham history book. The book will be available for sale during the tricentennial celebration.

We would like to thank the following businesses who donated to the breakfast: Liar's

Paradise for the coffee, the Bascom's Busy Trees for the maple syrup, Almolu's Bakery for butter. Jim Morin for blueberries and Northwood Hannaford for beverages and other food items. The Nottingham Fire



Department and the Nottingham Recreation Department loaned us tents, tables, and chairs. Individuals also generously donated food and paper goods and time. We would also like to thank the Else Cilley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution for allowing us to use their meeting house. This event is a great opportunity for the community to gather for some good food and fellowship as well as earn some money for the Historical Society projects. We are glad to be able to host this event. It owes its success to the cooperation of many local businesses and organizations as well as the many volunteers who work hard to make it possible as well as the folks who attend. Thank you everyone!

Pawtuckaway Piecers Quilt Guild

Submitted by Pat Vachon

The Pawtuckaway Piecers Quilt Guild meets the second Monday of every month at 6:30 pm at the Nottingham Community Center. The guild is a small group of talented, creative quilters who love to get together and share our love of quilting. There is usually an informative program at each meeting. We also hold an annual quilt raffle, a monthly Saturday sew at the Community Center, and an annual weekend retreat.

New members and guests are always welcome! Our annual dues are \$20. A part of the dues goes toward charitable donations such as local food pantries, End 68 Hours of Hunger, and summer camp scholarships for our local Recreation Departments.

You need not be an experienced quilter or a resident of Nottingham to join.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the guild, feel free to contact Pat Vachon at 603-679-8078.

Support the Nottingham Tricentennial Celebration!

Submitted by the 300th Committee

The 300th Committee is planning to print a special commemorative Program Guide which includes a schedule of events along with historic photos and articles about Nottingham. If you would like to help sponsor this guide with an ad from your family or business, please contact the 300th Committee at nottingham300th@gmail.com for an order form and instructions. The cost of a patron space is \$25, a business card sized ad is \$50, a quarter page ad is \$100 in color and \$75 in black and white. Half page and full-page ad spaces are also available. Ads must be received by September 30th, 2021.

The Committee is also planning on having banners printed that will be displayed throughout the Town. The designs are being finalized at the time of the newsletter deadline. If you would be interested in sponsoring a banner, you can also contact the committee at nottingham300th@gmail.com for more details. The cost of sponsoring a banner will be \$50.

The Celebration is just around the corner, and we will need lots of volunteers to help make this coming year of celebration a success. Please contact us if you can help. We are looking forward to an exciting year of celebration. Thank you for your support.

Nottingham Republicans Committee

Are you concerned with the way things are moving in our town, state, and country?

Do you wish you could share those thoughts with others? If so, then join us at a Nottingham Republicans meeting where we discuss policies and issues within the town and school that affect us all.

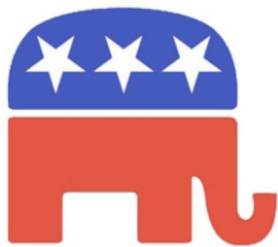


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www.new-hopechurch.com Join us 10am on Sundays.

Each meeting we hear what’s going on locally from our Board of Selectmen, and town committees as well as news from Concord and the rest of the state from our local state representative and state Senator.



All Republicans, Conservatives, Libertarians, Independents, and unhappy Democrats are welcome to join like-minded people to voice your concerns and discuss possible solutions; for we believe that together we can change our world one legal vote at a time.

Knowledge is power and we the people need more of both.

The Nottingham Republican Committee meets the second Thursday of the month in Conference Room 1 at the Town Offices Complex. If you would like more information on our committee, you may email Pat Desrosiers at memedesrosiers@gmail.com Hope to see you there!

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New Hope Church

Worship at New Hope is every Sunday at 10 am. We gather at New Hope Church on 34 Raymond Road. If you would like to Zoom worship, you can email Pastor Ted White at ted@new-hopechurch.com. We are also on Facebook live. Come and join us.

Bible study for men will be on Tuesdays at 7 pm. For information call 285-3533.

Our women’s groups meet in both Nottingham and Strafford. Both groups meet on Tuesdays at 7pm. For information about Nottingham email Karen at kirkrowl@aol.com. Strafford meeting information is whitehouseelc@gmail.com.

Our next Discipleship-Making Workshop will be in September on Saturday September 25th from 9am to 3pm. More information including location will be posted on www.disciplemakinglife.com. This will be available on zoom. Link will be provided after registration.

Come and join us in these many opportunities for fellowship.

Nottingham Democrats

Submitted by the Nottingham Democratic Committee Hope everyone enjoyed this summer of weather extremes and is healthy, safe, and vaccinated against Covid 19. If you haven’t had the chance to get your vaccination yet, hurry up! It’s an All-American team effort. Let’s help squash the virus and its variants... we all want to get our kids back into school safely, and for business and travel to get back to “normal” once again.






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Nottingham Parks and Recreation will be hosting its annual EarthFest on Saturday, September 11 at the Town Offices/Community Center at 139 Stage Road from 10 am to 2 pm. Everyone is invited to stop by the Nottingham Democrats’ booth for our plant sale, free gifts for kids and adults, and information about conservation and environmental action in New Hampshire. There will be music, food, vendors, and the 5K “Run for the Bees” - all to share the natural treasures of Nottingham and its surrounds, as well as sharing ideas of how we can give back to the planet.

We invite all town Democrats, unaffiliated voters, and independent thinkers to join us at our monthly meetings, held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7 pm. Follow us on Facebook for updates, as we make plans to resume in-person meetings again at Blaisdell Library, while respecting and adapting to all CDC guidelines as they evolve: NottinghamNHDemocrats@nottinghamsdems.com

Our Facebook page will also connect you to social events, legislative updates, and activist opportunities, or you can contact us with questions, ideas, and comments at: hwrNottDems@comcast.net



Nottingham Community Newsletter

• John Bartsch • Kathy Cinfo • Mark Peters
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The Nottingham Community Newsletter is a community service and is published bi-monthly and mailed to every Nottingham resident. The deadline for submitting ads and articles for the November December 2021 newsletter is October 1, 2021. Advertising size is 3.5 inches by 2 inches. Ads are \$20 for Nottingham residents and \$35 for nonresidents.

Submit news articles (word document) & ads (jpg format at 300dpi) via e-mail to adnottinghamnews@gmail.com.

The newsletter is underwritten in part by North River Printing of Nottingham.

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~ Submitted by the Board of Selectmen

Parks and Recreation Department News

Submitted by Connor Donigian, Program Supervisor
recreation3@nottingham-nh.gov

Recreation Office Hours: M-F 9 am to 4 pm
Phone: 679-3435 x107

Please make sure to check out our website, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter page for all up-to-date programming. We consistently have new programs that are added to our page at various times of the year, and we can't always get them into this newsletter.

Website: <https://www.nottingham-nh.gov/recreation-department>

Facebook: @nottinghamparksandrecreation
Instagram: @nottinghamparksandrecreation
Twitter: @ParksNottingham

Are you on our email list? Do you want updates and new program information right to your inbox?? Just send us an email OR visit our website. Fill out the form that is located on our homepage!

Nottingham Parks & Rec Sponsorship Opportunities:

We are happy to announce that we are back in action! We are hopeful that we can offer quality programming and events that meets the needs of our community. Visit our website if you or your business is interested in partnering with us in 2021!

Upcoming Events and Dates:

Legacy Leader Luncheons:

- **9/15/21** and **10/20/21** for an in -person Lunch at the Community Center, 12 pm!!
- The next day (Thursday), we will drop off lunches to those who wish to stay at home.
- Please RSVP, **603-679-3435 x107**

Legacy Leader Field Trips



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Earth Fest and 5K: 9/11/21

Our mission is to share and experience the natural treasures of Nottingham and surrounding communities and how they give back to the planet. Come join us for a day filled with fun, food, activities, vendors and more! The Earth Fest 5K will take place on the same day at 9 am. Go to our website and click EARTH FEST to find out more information!! We are looking for vendors, sponsors, 5K Runners and more!!

100 Mile Challenge Begins October 1st

- Free and Paid Options
- \$20 for raffle entry AND a special prize included like last year's winter hat!
- Send us a log of your miles so we can keep track!

After School Care:

Currently looking for Employees- please contact the office for more info!

Halloweekend: Friday, October 29th: Family Pumpkin Party

The party will take place at the Nottingham Community Center down by the bandstand, participants can pick up pumpkins a week in advance to carve them at home and then drop them back off at the rec when finished! We will create each pumpkin float and at 5:45 pm after the sunset we will float the glowing pumpkins along the river. We will have pumpkin kids' crafts, carnival games, and an apple cider and caramel apple booth! Pre-registration will be required!

Saturday, October 30th: Spooky Walk

Location: Nottingham Community Center Trails
Time: 1 pm to 3 pm
Pre-Registration required
Volunteers needed for set up, breakdown, and Event-Actors

Sunday, October 31st: Trick or Treat – 5 pm to 7 pm

PROGRAMMING AND RENTALS:

**Please go to our website to see what programs are being offered at this time. We have information up regarding Summer Camps, After School Care, Summer Concert Series, Earth Fest and MORE.*

Happy Almost Fall from the Nottingham Area Women's Club!

Since the seasons are starting to change, so is our focus!! It's scarecrow time!! we are currently getting organized with painting our scarecrow heads and assembling stakes for our Annual Scarecrow Fundraiser! We are working on our website, there will be more information on our FB page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/nottinghamwomensclub>) about how you can participate in a FUN, community wide fundraiser! The money for this fundraiser is put into our scholarship fund for a local high school graduate. We always LOVE to have the community help with creativity and participation!

This year scarecrows are available by donations and stakes will cost \$5. We will have our website up and available for picking your scarecrow head and free delivery of parts and pieces for Nottingham residents!

In other news, we are continuing our collection of gently used wedding/formal dresses for the "Angel Babies" organization. They make dressing gowns for babies who have passed away. If you want more information about the organization, please check out their website, <http://www.angelbabiesma.org/angel-gowns-by-angel-babies.html>, or connect with us via email, Nottingham.WomensClub@gmail.com. If you have donations, we are continuing to collect dresses! If you do not have dresses to donate but wish to contribute, you can donate any of the following: 24x24 crocheted, knitted, or sewn blankets, crocheted or knitted hats under newborn sizes, crocheted hearts, scissors, basic sewing supplies, craft store gift cards, Flannel material, zip top bags, yarn, and monetary donations.



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NH ARTS Guild Fourteenth Annual WORDFEST Scholarship Show

Submitted by priscillaecarr@gmail.com (603).502-8595

NH ARTS Guild Fourteenth Annual WORDFEST Scholarship Show: A Gathering of Peace Makers, Nottingham Universalist Community Church, Saturday, October 16th. at One pm. Admission is by donation. In compliance with CDC recommendations, the Guild will not serve food during intermission.

BROADWAY is coming to Nottingham! Lara Hayhurst, a seasoned Broadway performer, will join us. This summer, during a one month writing retreat, Lara fell in love with our town and said in a note to the Guild that our WORDFEST scholarship and mentor programs are "amazing" and offered her talents. Lara will sing "You Have to Be Carefully Taught" from South Pacific and will dedicate "Thank Heaven for Little Girls" from Gigi.



Lara Hayhurst

In addition to performance honoraria for Mentees, the Guild will provide stipend lottery tickets to ALL participants, Funds may be broadly applied to textbooks, theater and concert tickets, museum exhibitions, cultural travel, costs of extra-curricular clubs, and athletic uniforms and equipment.

Keynote Speaker, Guild Historian, Dr. Steven Jones, M.D. of Exeter, will share research concerning equitability of representation of women Nobel Peace Prize recipients and Valerie Hume will provide brief bios of a select group of the women. Musical Mentors Gary Hume and Dan Raymond will perform. Pastor Craig Werth will grace us with strings and vocals. Memoirist and Poet, Priscilla Carr and Performance Poet, Liz McKim, will read original work.

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Blaisdell Memorial Library

Submitted by Liz Bolton, blaisdellml@comcast.net

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Current Hours:

Sunday/Monday: Closed Thursday: 10 am – 5 pm
 Tuesday: 10 am – 5 pm Friday: 10 am – 5 pm
 Wednesday: 10 am – 7 pm Saturday: 10 am – 2 pm
 Please call 679-8484 to reserve computer time if you will be needing a computer for an extended period. Summer Reading Program (Thank You!)

Thanks to all who participated in our 2021 Summer Reading Program. This year's theme was Tails and Tales, and we were happy to see many well-loved stuffies at our events. Thanks again to our sponsors: Liar's Paradise, Golick's Dairy Barn, The Beach Plum, Hannaford Supermarkets – Northwood, BarnZ's – Barrington, Dover Bowl Family Fun Center, and Squam Lakes Natural Science Center. Thanks to their

generosity we were able to offer several raffles for participants, and coupons for all who signed up. Join us next year in 2022 when we celebrate with the theme 'Oceans of Possibilities'.

Please remember that our in-person programming may change due to COVID-19 protocols, please check our homepage: www.nottinghamlibrary.org, Facebook page, or call 679-8484 for updates.

Adult Programs:

September 1: Author talk with Ellie Atherton. A hospice nurse for over 20 years, Ellie's book: *Stepping Stones: Following a Pathway to the End-of-Life*, touches on the deeply personal topic of death and dying in a most respectful and perceptive manner. Her lighthearted touch, sense of humor, and care for her patients and their needs, comes through on every page. Ellie has just written another book enlarging upon the topic and is eager to chat about her career, her writing, and why her work is so rewarding.

September 2: Afternoon Book Group Discussion: *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery. 1:30 pm, fair weather: outside on the lawn, bring a chair. Inclement weather: inside, rear table in YA area.

September 7: Game 'n Gab. 1 pm: Games and chat upstairs in the rear of the library.

September 11: Library Table at Earth Fest Stop by the library table at Earth Fest and visit our pop-up book sale cart hosted by the Friends of the Library.

September 29: Evening Book Group discussion: *Autobiography of a Face* by Lucy Grealy. Combination Zoom & indoor attendance, contact the library for Zoom invite and/or a copy of the book.

October 5: Game 'n Gab. 1 pm: Games and chat upstairs in the rear of the library.

October 7: Afternoon Book Group discussion: *Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End* by Atul Gawande. 1:30 pm – outdoors, weather permitting. Inclement weather – inside, rear of library. Check with library for a copy of the book.

October 27: Evening Book Group discussion: *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson. Combination Zoom & indoor attendance, contact the library for Zoom invite and/or a copy of the book.

Teen/Tween/Young Adult:

September 22: BYG @ 6:30 pm. Open to all students in grades 5 – 8. Mr. Bunker will be doing outdoor activities with some in-library time choosing books.

October 20: BYG @ 6:30 pm. Open to all students in grades 5 – 8. Mr. Bunker will be doing outdoor

activities with some in-library time choosing books or working on STEM/STEAM projects.

Children:

We are hoping to restart in-person story-times in late September/early October. Depending upon circumstances and staffing, we will resume such favorites as LEGO Club during the same period. Please check the library homepage: www.nottinghamlibrary.org, our Facebook account, or call 679-8484 for updates to our schedule.



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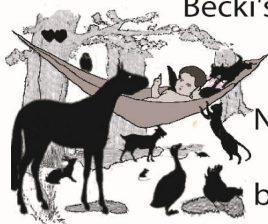
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